

following amendment be entered in the above-identified, finally rejected patent application in order to place it in condition for allowance. This amendment is accompanied by a Petition for a one-month extension of time.

In The Claims

Please rewrite Claims 1, 6 and 7 to read as follows:

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1. (twice amended) A method of installing a plurality of solar cell modules, comprising the steps of:

preparing a plurality of solar cell modules having an equal output voltage and different sizes;

installing the prepared plurality of solar cell modules so that they are connected in parallel; and

connecting positive and negative output lines of each solar cell module to positive and negative cables, respectively.

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6. (Amended) A solar cell module comprising:

a supporting member;

a plurality of solar cell sub-modules mounted on said supporting member, each of said solar cell sub-modules including a plurality of solar cells;

a wiring member for electrically connecting said solar cell sub-modules positioned next to each other on said supporting member; and

a moisture impermeable cover member, mounted on said supporting member, for covering said wiring member;

said wiring member being sealed in a resin between said supporting member and said cover member.

7. (Amended) A solar cell module comprising:

a metal base;

a plurality of solar cell sub-modules mounted on said metal base, each of said solar cell sub-modules including a plurality of solar cells;

a raised portion which is provided at one of opposing side edges of said metal base and has a first engagement section at its end; and

a suspended portion which is provided at the other side edge and has at its end a second engagement section that comes into engagement with the first engagement section of other solar cell module;

wherein said solar cell sub-modules positioned next to each other are electrically connected to each other by a wiring member on said metal base, said raised portion has a base section provided parallel to a surface of said metal base, and the connection of said solar cell sub-modules by said wiring member is made between said metal base and said base section, said wiring member being sealed in a resin between said metal base and said base section.